# ROANOKE VALLEY LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES DECEMBER 9, 2013

The Roanoke Valley Local Human Rights Committee met on Monday, December 9, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. at Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, located at 301 Elm Avenue, SW Roanoke, VA.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jay Fields – Chair Nancy Fields Joseph Kinchloe – Vice Chair Martha Pillow – Secretary Joanne Baker Robin Jordan

#### **DBHDS-OHR STAFF**

Dwayne Lynch -Advocate

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

**Betty Crance** 

<u>SUPPORT</u>

**Betsy Walker** 

### **AFFILIATES REPRESENTED**

A Shining Light - Donnie DeGeorgis, Christina Smith

Avenues to Recovery – Stephane Corbin

Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare - Betty Bingham, Earl Edwards, Steve Ratliff,

Katrina Mabery

Blue Ridge Residential Services - Catherine St. Ours

Centra - Lauren Askew

DePaul - Gary Wilburn

Didlake – Mitzi Hartwell

East Mental Health – Sara Ingram

EHS – Katye Hale

Family Services Roanoke Valley - Karen Pillis, Emily Painter

Hall Community Services - Adrien Monti

Lutheran Family Service of Virginia – Tresha LaFon, Eric Gordon

Mayo Residential - Joseph Mayo, Jr

Mt Regis Center - Pam Riffle-Yost, Cliff Taylor

National Counseling - Brian Hoff

New Hope Support Services - Mari Gentry

SWVTC - Yvonne McCoy-Perry

#### 1. Call to order/welcome

Jay Fields, Chair called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

#### 2. Introductions/Citizen Comments

Members of the committee and providers introduced themselves. There were no citizen comments.

#### **ACTION AGENDA**

#### 3. Appointment of Next of Friend (information enclosed)

In accordance with § 2.2.2711.A (4 and 15) of the Code of VA to protect the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business including the review and consideration of health records, namely to appoint a next of friend; Robin Jordan made a motion to go into close session and it carried unanimously.

Motion was made to reconvene the regular meeting and seconded by Joseph Kinchloe.

Each member certified that to the best of their knowledge only matters lawfully exempted from public business and identified in the motion were heard, discussed and considered by the LHRC.

#### 4. Approval of October 21, 2013 minutes

Martha Pillow moved that the minutes of October 21, 2013 be approved as presented; Nancy Fields seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

#### 5. Approval of December 9, 2013 agenda

Joseph Kinchloe moved the agenda for December 9, 2013 be approved; Nancy Fields seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

#### 6. Approval of 2014 Calendar

The calendar was discussed and there is a scheduling conflict for the February meeting and it will be moved to March 10, 2014.

Joseph Kinchloe moved the calendar be approved with the change of the date for the February meeting; Nancy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

#### **INFORMATION AGENDA**

#### 7. Advocate Report

Dwayne Lynch, Human Rights Advocate notified providers if liaisons have changed to please make sure Betsy Walker, LHRC Admin Support is aware of the change. 2014 LHRC Schedule with final approval will be distributed by email. DBHDS continues to work on issues with CHRIS, and advocate will notify provides of details in regards to communication sent about changes in reporting for 2014 to LHRC with CHRIS reports.

#### 8. Annual Reports

Blue Ridge Residential Services - Catherine St. Ours presented their Annual Report. She also reported that at this time they are not operating in the Roanoke area even though they have two homes affiliated. The question is should they continue the affiliation or conclude it and at such time the homes are being utilized come back to the Committee for affiliation. She will make a decision before the next meeting and report back.

# 9. 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter reports

The following providers presented their 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter reports and answered questions from Committee members; copies were provided in the committee packets for review.

A Shining Light
Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare
Braley & Thompson
Didlake
EHS
Family Service Roanoke Valley
Fidura & Associates
Lutheran Family Services of VA
National Counseling
Roanoke Treatment Center

### 10. Notifications/Requests

- Affiliation to cover Intensive Care Coordination Service (children's service)
  Information was presented to the committee and staff was available to
  answer questions. Martha Pillow moved to approve the extension of the
  affiliation to cover the service; Joseph Kinchloe seconded the motion and
  it carried unanimously.
- Expansion of license to cover case management in Alpha Community Services Program. Information presented to Committee and staff available to discuss. Nancy Fields moved to expand the license to cover the service; Joseph Kinchloe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Crisis Stabilization Program Rules
   Copy of revised rules provided for review and staff attended to answer
   questions. Martha Pillow moved to accept the revised rules; Joann Baker
   seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Program Closure (Phases Mental Health Day Treatment)

Notification to the committee that this program would be closing as of December 31, 2013. Individuals receiving services will be cared for at other sites.

- Sponsored Residential Services (location change)
   Request for current affiliation to cover a new site due to the closure of another site. Martha moved the affiliation be continued for the new site;
   JoAnn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- New Hope Support Services
   Notification of a new satellite office (letter of notification enclosed)
- 11. Other Business None
- 12. Next meeting date March 10, 2014
- 13. Adjourn

Jay Fields, Chair	Date of Approval	
Betsy Walker, Admin Support for RVLHRC		